



State Fire Report – August 2022

OFFICE OF ATTORNEY GENERAL
NORTH DAKOTA STATE FIRE MARSHAL
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Fires reported in the month..... 209

- Structure Fires 55
- Vehicle Fires 43
- Other Fires 111

2022 Monthly Fire Counts

Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	Jun.	Jul.	Aug.	Sep.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Total
135	111	162	157	187	197	235	209					1,393

Dollar loss attributed to fire year to date..... \$36,191,667.00

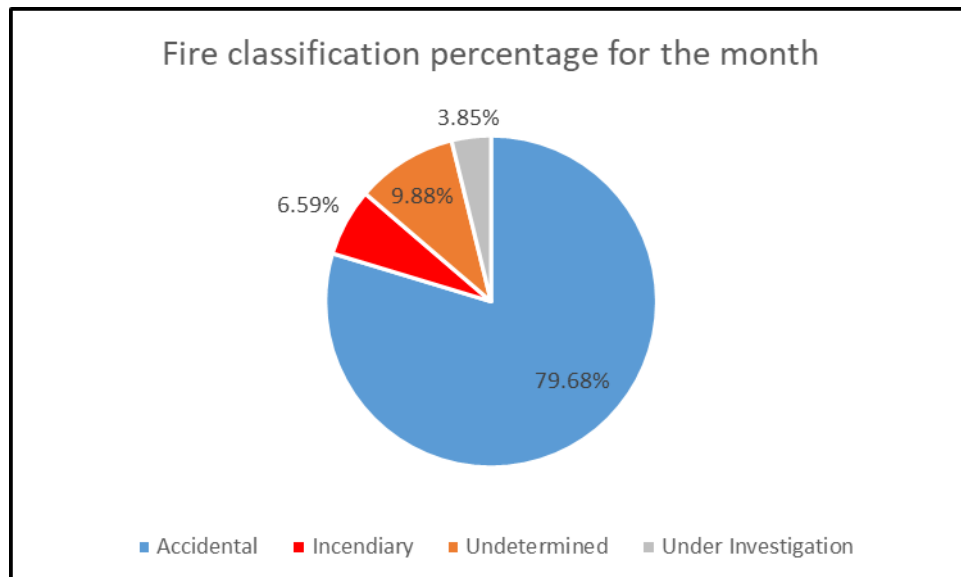
Total incidents reported for the month..... 2,882

Most reported fire type for the month

- Grass fire 28.57%
- Passenger vehicle fire 11.43%
- Building fires 10.48%

Most reported heat source for the month

- Spark, ember or flame from operating equipment 10.44%
- Radiated, conducted heat from operating equipment 7.69%
- Undetermined 37.36%



Injuries and Fatalities Caused by Fire	Month	Year to date
Civilian fire casualties	0	13
Civilian fire injuries	0	11
Fire service injuries	0	9

of fire departments/districts reporting fires for the month **121**

of fire departments/districts reporting fires for the year to date **227/363**

Incident totals by type year to date 2022

Fires	Rupture/ explos.	Rescue (EMS)	Hazardous Conditions	Service	Good Intent	Severe Weather	Special Incident	False Calls	Total
1,392	59	19,098	1,180	1,785	3,014	40	146	3,352	30,066

Update from the State Fire Marshal's Office:

The 2022 Fire Prevention Week theme has been announced and is "Fire won't wait. Plan your escape." The fire prevention week safety campaign is focused on emergency escape planning and reducing risk by having a plan before the emergency happens. Fire Prevention Week is October 9-15, 2022, and this happens to be the 100th year of the program.

The Certificate of Existence (CoE) program has officially opened for the year. CoE's need to be submitted to our office by October 31st. Please follow the instructions on the CoE email and set up an online account. By using the online portal and form, your information is saved over to subsequent years, requiring less data entry in future years. You can find the portal on our website at: <https://attorneygeneral.nd.gov/public-safety/fire-safety-information-0/fire-departments>.

We are happy to announce two new additions to our staff at the State Fire Marshals Office. Laura Toth is the new Deputy Fire Marshal and is assigned to our District 5 Bismarck Office. Lydia Citta is our new Fire Data Assistant and is also located in our Bismarck Office. Lydia's primary roles will be to reach out and answer calls for help related to fire reporting, and producing better data for the ND fire service. Please join us in welcoming them!

The public education and outreach for this month focuses on electrical fire safety. Ensure your community know and understands how to protect their homes and businesses from electrical fires.

Thank you,
Douglas Nelson
ND State Fire Marshal

Public education and outreach for the month:

More public education resources can be found on the following organizations websites.

United States Fire Administration: <https://www.usfa.fema.gov/index.html>

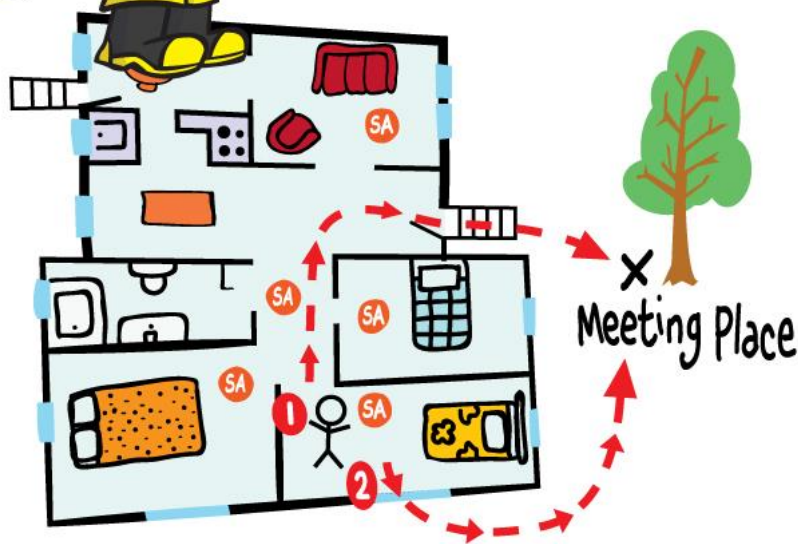
National Fire Protection Association: www.nfpa.org

Consumer Product Safety Commission: <https://www.cpsc.gov/Safety-Education/Safety-Education-Centers/Fire-Safety-Information-Center>

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Plan your escape at fpw.org.



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Be fire smart

with electricity in your home.

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There are approximately **47,000** home electrical fires each year.



Half of all home electrical fires involve home wiring or lighting equipment.



Home electrical fire deaths peak between **midnight** and **8 a.m.**



Peak months for electrical fire deaths are **December and January.**

Plug only 1 heat-producing appliance (like a coffee maker, space heater or microwave) directly into a wall outlet at a time.



Never use an extension cord with a heat-producing appliance.



Extension cords should only be used temporarily. Have an electrician install additional wall outlets where you need them.



For more information about electrical fire safety, visit usfa.fema.gov and nfpa.org/public-education.